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CUBANA DEL EXILIO (RECE), AN ANTI-CASTRO UNITY GROUP.

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[U.S. ARMY FIELD APPRAISAL DETACHMENT] (S)(u)

ON MAY 31, 1966, COL. FRANKLYN BITHOS, USAFAD, MIAMI,  
ADVISED THE ARMY HAD AN OPERATIONAL INTEREST IN COMANDOS L  
UNTIL MAY 25, 1966, AND HAS NO OPERATIONAL INTEREST  
IN THE MISSION OF MAY 29, 1966. (S)(u)

BITHOS STATED HE HAD RECEIVED INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING  
PERSONS WERE ABOARD THE ABOVE MENTIONED LAUNCH: (S)(u)

ANTONIO CUESTA VALLE, ARMANDO RAMIRO, EUGENIO ZALDIVAR  
CADENAS, HERMINIO DIAS, GUILLERMO ALVARES, AND ROBERTO  
ANTA FERNANDEZ. (S)(u)

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CUBA

HE SAID THAT ANTA AND DIAZ WERE REPORTEDLY KILLED ON  
THE BEACH, AND CUESTA AND ONE OTHER WERE REPORTEDLY CAPTURED (S)(u)

ON MAY 30, 1966, MM 635-S ADVISED INFORMATION HAD BEEN  
RECEIVED FROM 30TH OF NOVEMBER LEADERS THAT DIAZ AND MANUEL (LNU)  
WERE KILLED ON THIS RAID, AND THE PURPOSE OF THE MISSION WAS  
TO ASSASSINATE FIDEL CASTRO, PRIME MINISTER OF CUBA. (S)(u)

CARIDAD TRUJILLO, MIAMI CONTACT FOR CUESTA, ADVISED MM 639-S  
THAT IT HAD BEEN CONFIRMED THAT TWO MEN WERE KILLED, TWO MEN  
WERE WOUNDED, AND THAT CUESTA WAS EITHER WOUNDED OR DEAD. DIAZ  
AND MANUEL WERE LISTED AS KILLED. (S)(u)

TRUJILLO SAID THAT CUESTA TOOK THE MISSION TO CUBA IN A  
COMANDOS L BOAT, AND THE 30TH OF NOVEMBER WAS THE ONLY  
ORGANIZATION INVOLVED. (S)(u)

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ON MAY 31, 1966, CARLOS ZARRAGA MARTINEZ - KEY SOURCE  
CUBAN ADVISED THAT INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED FROM A RECE OFFICIAL  
LISTING THE OCCUPANTS OF THE LAUNCH AS FOLLOWS: ~~(S)~~(u)

ANTONIO CUESTA VALLE, ARMANDO ROMERO, EUGENIO ZALDIVAR  
ZIZQUES, HERMINIO DIAZ, GUILLERMO ALVAREZ SANCHEZ, AND ROBERTO  
ANTA FERNANDEZ. - ~~(S)~~(u)

THE MISSION WAS FINANCED 80 PER CENT BY RECE, WHO  
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~~CONTRU~~ BUT CONTRIBUTED MONEY, AND 20 PER CENT BY MIGUEL IZA, 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER  
~~MOVEMENT~~  
LEADER, WHO CONTRIBUTED MILITARY EQUIPMENT AND EXPLOSIVES. ~~(S)~~(u)

ZARRAGA SAID THAT RADIO HAVANA, ON MAY 31, 1966, ANNOUNCED  
THAT CUESTA AND ZALDIVAR WERE CAPTURED AND ADMITTED THEIR PURPOSE  
WAS ASSASSINATION OF FIDEL CASTRO. ~~(S)~~(u)

RADIO HAVANA SAID THE BOAT USED WAS A 23 FOOT BOAT OF  
A VEGA BRAND TYPE, AND THE BOAT LEFT FROM MARATHON, FLORIDA  
ON MAY 31, 1966 INS, MIAMI, ADVISED THEY WERE INVESTIGATING  
THIS MATTER, AND TRYING TO OBTAIN THE IDENTITIES OF THE  
PERSONS INVOLVED.

THE SAN JUAN OFFICE IS BEING ADVISED BY AIRMAIL.

SAN JUAN IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT SOURCES AND INFORMANTS  
CONCERNING THIS MATTER <sup>TO</sup> DEVELOP ADDITIONAL DETAILS.

INASMUCH AS U S CUSTOMS AND INS ARE INVESTIGATION THE  
MATTER, MIAMI OFFICE WILL MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH THOSE AGENCIES,  
AND KEEP THE BUREAU ADVISED.

LETTERHEAD MEMORANDUM FOLLOWING. *similar*

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\*\* another ANTI-CASTRO group  
CC MR. SULLIVAN

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